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eal Union, addressing communications in care of the Research Information Service, National Research Council, 1701 Massachusetts Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C., U. S. A. It is hoped, further, that complete as well as accurate information may be supplied concerning all stations not now fully described.

THE Genetics Division of the California Agricultural Experiment Station is investigating the genus *Crepis* for the purpose of finding favorable material for genetic research. As many as possible of the species in this genus will be grown and tested. Incidentally material will be accumulated for a monograph on the genus. About 35 species from foreign countries are now being grown at Berkeley, but none that are native to North America. The object of this appeal is to interest American collectors in the work so as to secure viable seeds of American species during the present year. Seeds may be sent to Division of Genetics, University of California, Berkeley, California.

DR. C. E. RUBY is making a collection of verse of all varieties, whose subject matter relates to the sciences, with the ultimate purpose of publishing an anthology of such poetry. Readers of SCIENCE are invited to send any verses of this character, which may be available to them, or to send suggestions as to possible sources of such verse to Dr. Ruby, 7 St. Paul Street, Cambridge, Mass. In sending such contributions, it is desirable that the author's name, and other needful details, including the permission to publish the poem (if it is possible for the contributor to include this permission) accompany each poem.

FIRE during the night of January 9 in the laboratories of the department of anatomy, Loyola University School of Medicine, 706 S. Lincoln Street, Chicago, destroyed the collection of reprints and files of journals of Professor R. M. Strong. He writes that he would be grateful to authors who have sent him reprints in the past for any replacements which it may be convenient for them to make. The research material, unpublished drawings and loan collections of the department were essentially untouched.

UNIVERSITY AND EDUCATIONAL NOTES

THE Corporation of Yale University has received an anonymous pledge of \$100,000 for the establishment of the William H. Carmalt professorship fund in the School of Medicine. The president was authorized to designate annually a professor of the medical school as the William H. Carmalt professor.

DR. ALLEN FISKE VOSHELL, former resident orthopedist at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, has assumed charge of the department of orthopedic surgery at the University of Virginia Medical School and Hospital.

THE General Education Board has offered \$250,000 toward the one million dollars of the Radcliffe Endowment Fund provided that the rest of the million is raised by July 1.

DR. JOHN HEISLER is now carrying on the work of anatomy in the School of Medicine of the University of Pennsylvania, a position formerly filled by Dr. Piersol. Dr. G. P. McHoueh has been appointed a full-time instructor in physiology.

DR. AUSTIN BAILEY, who has recently been employed as superintendent of the apparatus division of the Corning Glass Works, has resigned his position to accept an assistant professorship in the department of physics at the University of Kansas.

MR. HUBERT H. NEWELL, of the Research Laboratory of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, has resigned to accept a position at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

E. A. ALLCUT has been appointed associate professor in the department of thermo-dynamics at the University of Toronto.

PROFESSOR J. W. NICHOLSON has been elected to a war memorial fellowship in physics and mathematics at Balliol College, Oxford.

DISCUSSION AND CORRESPONDENCE

DISCOVERY OF GIGANTIC FOOTPRINTS IN THE COAL MEASURES OF KANSAS

TECHNOLOGY still holds an important place in